

connecting layer being formed with a conductive resin between the leading end portion and said electrode, and

said piezoelectric resonator element being attached to said leads at an end of the leading end portion on a portion of the substantially U-shaped edge closest to said piezoelectric resonator element, on a side of said piezoelectric resonator element which faces said supporting member, so that an edge of said piezoelectric resonator element on the side which faces said supporting member may be positioned on said portion of the substantially U-shaped edge and that the piezoelectric resonator element is supported by said leads so that a gap is formed between said supporting member and said piezoelectric resonator element.

8. (Four Times Amended) A method for manufacturing a piezoelectric resonator, comprising:

attaching a piezoelectric resonator element comprising a piezoelectric body having an electrode formed thereon, to a plurality of leads which connect said piezoelectric resonator element mechanically to a supporting member and permit electrical connection thereof;

providing a gap between said supporting member and said piezoelectric resonator element; and

forming a connecting layer of a conductive resin between said electrode and flat leading end portions of said leads, connected substantially in parallel with said electrode, having a substantially U-shaped edge which opens toward a leading end of the leads, said electrode opposing one surface of said piezoelectric resonator element,

said piezoelectric resonator element being attached to said leads at an end of the leading end portion on a portion of the substantially U-shaped edge closest to said piezoelectric resonator element, on a side of said piezoelectric resonator element which faces said supporting member, so that an edge of said piezoelectric resonator element on the side

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which faces said supporting member may be positioned on said portion of the substantially U-shaped edge.

14. (Four Times Amended) A piezoelectric resonator unit having a piezoelectric resonator, and a hollow protector, the piezoelectric resonator comprising:

a piezoelectric resonator element having a piezoelectric body and an electrode formed on a surface of the piezoelectric body;

a supporting member supporting said piezoelectric resonator element; and

a plurality of leads mechanically connecting said piezoelectric resonator element to said supporting member and permitting electrical connection thereof each of said leads being provided with a flat leading end portion having a substantially U-shaped edge which opens toward a leading end of the leads, connected substantially in parallel with said electrode, said electrode opposing one surface of said piezoelectric resonator element, and a connecting layer being formed with a conductive resin between the leading end portion and said electrode, and

said piezoelectric resonator element being supported by said leads so that a gap is formed between said supporting member and said piezoelectric resonator element,

said piezoelectric resonator being inserted, and sealed by said supporting member and said protector, and said piezoelectric resonator being attached to said leads at an end of the leading end portion on a portion of the substantially U-shaped edge closest to said piezoelectric resonator element, on a side of the piezoelectric resonator element which faces said supporting member, so that an edge of said piezoelectric resonator element on the side which faces said supporting member may be positioned on said portion of the substantially U-shaped edge.

21. (Three Times Amended) A method for manufacturing a piezoelectric resonator unit comprising:

attaching a piezoelectric resonator element comprising a piezoelectric body having an electrode formed thereon, to a plurality of leads which connect said piezoelectric resonator element mechanically to a supporting member and permit electrical connection thereof:

providing a gap between said supporting member and said piezoelectric resonator element:

forming a connecting layer of a conductive resin between said electrode and flat leading end portions of said leads, connected substantially in parallel with said electrode, having a substantially U-shaped edge which opens toward a leading end of the leads, said electrode opposing one surface of said piezoelectric resonator element:

inserting the piezoelectric resonator element connected to said supporting member into a hollow protector; and

sealing the piezoelectric resonator by said supporting member and said protector,

said piezoelectric resonator element being attached to said leads to an end of the leading end portion on a portion of the substantially U-shaped edge closest to said piezoelectric resonator element, on a side facing said supporting member, so that an edge of said piezoelectric resonator element on the side facing said supporting member may be positioned on said portion of the substantially U-shaped edge.

#### REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-14 and 16-26 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 1, 8, 14 and 21 are amended for further clarity, and to correct minor informalities pointed out by the Office Action. No new matter is added.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(ii)).